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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

DISTRICT OF NEVADA

BLUE SUNSETS, LLC and JENCESS SOFTWARE & TECHNOLOGIES, INC..

Plaintiffs,

15 MYKALAI KONTILAI aka MICHAEL CONTILE
16 and COLLECTORS COFFEE, INC dba
COLLECTORS CAFE.

17 Defendants.

Case No. 2:17-cv-01418-JAD-CWH

**MOTION FOR LEAVE TO FILE
UNDER SEAL**

Filed Under Seal

Pursuant to Local Rule (“LR”) 10-5, Defendants COLLECTORS COFFEE, INC dba COLLECTORS CAFE *et al.* (“Defendants”) moves this Court to file under seal the parties’ Stipulation to Extend Time to File Response to Plaintiffs’ Opposition to Defendants’ Emergency Ex Parte Motion to Seal Plaintiffs’ Complaint, Second Request (hereafter, “Second Stipulation”). Defendants also move this Court to seal ECF Doc. No. 20, which is the parties’ Stipulation to Extend Time to File Response to Plaintiffs’ Opposition to Defendants’ Emergency Ex Parte Motion to Seal Plaintiffs’ Complaint, First Request (hereafter, “First Stipulation”). This motion to seal (“Motion”) is based upon the pleadings and papers on file herein and the following memorandum of points and authorities.

1 **1. Introduction.**

2 Defendant Collector Coffee, Inc. (“Collectors Coffee”) and Plaintiffs entered into
3 written agreements (“Agreements”) wherein Plaintiffs agreed that all business information that
4 Collectors Coffee disclosed to Plaintiffs would remain confidential given Collectors Coffee’s
5 unique and proprietary business model. The business model contained exclusive intellectual
6 property, and Collectors Coffee closely protected its rights and interests due to the nature of its
7 business. The First Stipulation and Second Stipulation pertain to written briefs submitted to the
8 Court (e.g., Defendants’ Emergency Ex Parte Motion to Seal Plaintiffs’ Complaint Collectors
9 Coffee’s, ECF Doc. 4; Plaintiffs’ opposition thereto; and Defendants’ forthcoming response
10 thereto) that discuss confidential information relating to Collectors Coffee that is protected by
11 the Agreements.
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13 Accordingly, Defendants seeks to file under seal pursuant to LR 10-5 the First
14 Stipulation and the Second Stipulation.
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16 **2. Legal standard.**

17 Protective orders and filings under seal are “the primary means by which the courts
18 ensure full disclosure of relevant information, while still preserving the parties’ (and third
19 parties’) legitimate expectation that confidential business information, proprietary technology
20 and trade secrets will not be publicly disseminated.” *In re Adobe Sys., Inc., Sec. Litig.*, 141
21 F.R.D. 155, 161–62 (N.D. Cal. 1992). The party seeking to seal documents attached to a non-
22 dispositive motion must only demonstrate “good cause,” as opposed to the “compelling
23 reasons” standard for documents attached to dispositive motions because “the cognizable public
24 interest in judicial records that underlies the compelling reasons standard does not exist for
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1 documents produced between private litigants.” *Golden Boy Promotions, Inc. v. Top Rank, Inc.*,
2 No. 10-CV-01619-RLH, 2011 WL 686362, at *1 (D. Nev. Feb. 17, 2011).

3 Additionally, when a district court grants a protective order to seal documents during
4 discovery, “it already has determined that good cause exists to protect this information from
5 being disclosed to the public by balancing the needs for discovery against the need for
6 confidentiality.” *Phillips v. General Motors Corp.*, 307 F.3d 1206, 1213 (9th Cir. 2002).
7 Further, a court may order the sealing of court records when they contain confidential or
8 otherwise sensitive business information. *IMAX Corp. v. Cinema Tech., Inc.*, 152 F.3d 1161,
9 1168 (9th Cir. 1998) (noting that confidential and proprietary business information is “to be
10 filed under seal.”); *In re Dual-Deck Video Cassette Recorder Antitrust Litig.*, 10 F.3d 693, 694
11 (9th Cir. 1993) (stating that it “is common now in business litigation” to seal confidential
12 business information by a stipulated protective order).
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15 **3. Legal argument.**
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17 Here, good cause exists for allowing Defendant to file the First Stipulation and Second
18 Stipulation under seal. Simply put, Defendant needs to protect its highly sensitive and
19 confidential business model and proprietary business information.

20 Pursuant to LR 10-5(d) and LR 4-1(c), contemporaneously with the filing of this
21 Motion, Defendant will file the Second Stipulation marked “Filed Under Seal” and serve paper
22 and electronic copies on Plaintiffs, in addition to delivering a paper copy to this Court.
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4. Conclusion.

For the foregoing reasons, this Court should enter an order sealing the First Stipulation and Second Stipulation.

DATED this 16th day of June 2017.

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